



## THE NH SKI CLUB NEWSLETTER

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*We don't just ski!*

### President's Message

by Kevin Reigstad



I see it, not only a light, but an enthusiasm in the next group of active, thoughtful members to lead the NH Ski Club. I'm so pleased Jill, Aaron, Lisa, Cindy, Nancy KC, Nancy H, Mike, Eric and Wendy have accepted nominations to the club's board of directors. As a reminder, elections will be by electronic ballot through a personal link emailed on/about 1 March. I couldn't be at the 15 February general meeting, which was our first chance to hear from the candidates. See their write-ups in this newsletter. I'll share my appreciation for the 'retiring' board members in the May newsletter. I apologize for the late posting and announcement of the February General Meeting. What can I say, I was too busy skiing Bolton Valley, Jay Peak and Breckenridge/Vail/Keystone? You betcha I was distracted and near exhausted, with a smile. I'm sure Jill summarized the trip at the February meeting.

Me, I skied 6 days during the Breckenridge trip. Three days at Breck, 2 at Keystone and 1 at Vail. I love skiing Colorado. The blue bird sky, the massive peaks and resort amenities, the variety of terrain. PS, have you seen the benefits Starbucks in Frisco offers employees? On our 1st day, Paul, Dori, Eric and I took the Summit Stage to Keystone, partly because I thought the Sunday crowd would be smaller, but I was more familiar with the long mogul and tree runs. Keystone didn't disappoint. I appreciated the Tuesday coach bus ride to Vail, where we skied the legendary Back Bowls. The snow was fantastic in the Champaign Glades, run after run, back in the Blue-Sky Basin. So worth the long traverse, and I hate traverses. Honestly, this was my most challenging skiing experience at Breckenridge resort itself. This club...this group pushed me to ski better and ski more of the mountains. Although I said no to The Windows, I said yes to Tom's Baby, Inferno, Mine Shaft, Devil's Crotch (and the Horseshoe Bowl T-Bar). I didn't get cooked on those doubles, or on Psychopath or Adios. Thanks, Jill and Jim for the great trip! I'm glad we're going to Colorado again next year.

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### Club Calendar

Mar 8	March club meeting
Mar 16	Quebec City weekend
Mar 23	Sugarloaf Weekend
Apr 12	April club meeting
April 22	Slushbomb!
Feb 2024	Dolomites Ski Trip

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## News and Events

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### **Don't Forget to Vote!** **Vic Snowdon**

BOLO! No, nobody is missing and nobody's car is missing. This is just a reminder to remember to vote for the new board of directors *by March 8, before the club meeting starts*. We will be voting electronically again, so be on the lookout for the email providing your link to vote. Only active members will receive an email. Follow the information in the email which should arrive concurrent with the March newsletter email notice. *Remember, if you have chosen not to receive NH Ski Club.org announcements you will not get the voting notice.*

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### **Candidates for the Board of Directors**

**President - Jill Dinsmore** Hello NH Ski Club Members! I am Jill Dinsmore and I'm running for Ski Club President. If you don't already know me, I've spent the last two years learning the board governance process as club Vice President. You also may have seen me in the past year or so hosting a few of the ski club meetings at Chunky's, filling in for our current president Kevin Reigstad. I also have had the opportunity to run two trips at this point: a weeklong trip to Breckenridge, CO and a weekend to Sunday River. I look forward to running more in the upcoming years! I enjoy working to create a positive experience for our ski club members.

I have been in the club since 2015. I've been to some wonderful places, improved my ski skills and best of all made some terrific friends. I believe in the ski club and the purpose for which it exists. I feel in the years I have been a member it has lived up to its mission "to promote snow sports, provide discounted benefits, trips, and seasonal activities and to support charitable events." I would like to serve as president to work with all the board members to ensure the club continues to serve its members by offering great trips and activities while supporting local charitable organizations and events like the Warren Miller Film Benefit for CHaD. I also believe we can continue to grow the membership of the club by various means, working to ensure the club and its mission are sustainable as we move through changing times.

I want you to know I'm very appreciative of the nomination for President. I feel honored to be considered. I bring with me management experience from my role as controller at a local NH manufacturing company. If you want me to continue on as the ski club leader, please vote for me when the electronic ballots are sent out the first week of March. I would like to thank everyone in advance for your support. Never forget...we don't just ski! Cheers, Jill

**Vice President - Aaron Fracht Munroe** I live in Concord and have been a ski club member since 2015. I've been skiing since shortly after I could walk and have enjoyed the opportunity with the club to go to some amazing places and ski with people I've come to know as good friends. I've been an at-large board member for the last two years, helping see the club through a number of operational changes. I was also involved in a working group that updated our trip leader guidelines to better support new trip leaders. I'm running for the vice president position because I want to see continued success for the club in the trips that we plan and events that we hold.

**Secretary - Cindy Jenson** I have been an avid lifelong skier. I have skied in NM, UT, CO, ME, NH, VT and recently Switzerland and Andorra. Both of my daughters skied competitively in high school and beyond. They have traveled the world, skiing year round for many years. I am now letting myself have some fun.

I have been a member of the club since the summer of 2019. I became active in club activities early on, participating in kayaking, hiking and biking during the summer and skiing during the winter. I have been on the

Cape Cod weekend three times, to Sunday River and to Snowbird/Alta last year. I have run a weekend trip to Sugarloaf and am running another trip this year.

I have been an at-large member of the board for about a year now. I wish to continue to contribute and as Jayne King is stepping down, I would like to assume her position as Secretary. I am attentive to detail, computer literate and enjoy working with others on the team to help our group grow stronger and more vibrant. I would appreciate your vote.

**Treasurer - Lisa LaPorte** I joined this club in late 2019, and since then, I've enjoyed meeting new people, going to club parties like the Halloween dance, going on trips, participating in race teams, and some of the summer events. I think NHSC is a great club! I want to help keep the fun times going by volunteering to be the treasurer.

I am an NH native and can't imagine living anywhere else. I have a Bachelor's in Economics, Finance, and Accounting from New Hampshire College. I didn't start skiing until after college, so I wasn't part of the ski club when it was part of NHC.

I have over 25 years of bookkeeping experience. I know how to use Quickbooks, the software that our current treasurer, Don, has been using. I spent my prime career years as a software engineer working at DEC (Digital Equipment Corp.) and Fidelity Investments, while doing bookkeeping work part-time. I currently work as an office manager and bookkeeper at a small company in Nashua. I would appreciate your vote.

## **Members at Large:**

**Nancy Keenom Caron** - I am known to most as - Nancy KC. I joined the NHSC in 2009, while I was working for the Bedford, NH School District as a Physical Education Teacher.

After retiring in 2016, it has been my pleasure to give back to the club as a NHSC Board Member at Large, also serving as your Membership Director. I am seeking a 4th term on the BOD in this capacity.

Some of my current and past endeavors include: Chunky's meeting liaison & a weekly PO Box mail check. Planning and organizing - the summer kayak day trips, - Schusshbomb celebrations, a Sunday River Trip, snow tubing at McIntyre, the 2021 Covid canceled Telluride Trip, the Snowbird, Utah Trip of 2022, the Fall Cape Cod Getaway Bike, Kayak, & Golf weekends, and being the race coordinator to the McIntyre race teams.

I'd appreciate your support with your vote in the upcoming election.

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**Eric Bos** - I have been a member of the NHSC for 10 years now. I first joined when, like many of you, my skiing buddy kids grew up and left home. During that time I have been on many ski trips to the Sierras, Rockies, Canada, and Europe and have enjoyed the experiences in which I have had the privilege to participate.

Consistent with our motto, I have not just skied with fellow members. The weekly mountain bike rides, social gatherings, and hikes have all been part of my time with the club. It has been a great joy to call my compadres friends who are enjoying an active life together. I have developed my skills while building relationships. As a board member, I am not looking to embark on some crusade of reform, but will approach with different eyes and won't be afraid to speak up when improvements are needed to be made. I know most of the other board nominees well and look forward to working with them to help direct the club activities. I live in Concord with my wife of 32 years, Heather of great cookie fame, and have four married children and three grandkids.

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**Nancy Harlow** - I first joined the NH Ski Club in 1996 and knew I had found my happy place. Within three years I went on 6 amazing trips. In 2000, I was a member of the NH Ski Club executive board serving as recording secretary and publicity chair. Then there was a lapse in my membership while I cared for my dad in NJ. When I finally returned to my NH condo, I immediately rejoined the club. I then led two weekend trips to Smugglers Notch and our first weekend golf, bike, kayak trip to the Cape.

Now retired from work and my condo board, I'd like to again be a member of the board. My years as a member and experience leading trips will benefit the club as we continue to provide exciting adventures for our membership. "We Don't Just Ski" says so much about who we are and even why we have members who don't ski but enjoy our other activities and the friendships made through the club. I'd like to help expand our membership and continue to provide the quality trips and activities for which we are known .

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**Wendy Lapham** - Thank you for the opportunity to run as a Board Member at Large for the NH Ski Club. I moved to NH four years ago after living in Delaware (a state with no mountains) for 30 years. NH Ski Club was one of the first organizations I joined after becoming a NH resident. Since joining, I have raced for two seasons with the Snow Dragons ski racing team at Pat's Peak, and have taken advantage of other ski club trips, events and activities. I started skiing at age 7, but really immersed myself in the sport in my 40s, when I began doing some age group racing and exploring the fantastic ski areas out west. My skiing heart will always belong to the icy east, however, and I am proud to say that my first winter living in NH I set a goal to ski all 17 active resorts in the state and had a blast doing it! As a member of the Board I hope to contribute my leadership experience and communication skills. I have served on several nonprofit boards, and have worked in the field of public relations and communications for my entire career with direct experience in outreach, event planning, and marketing. I also can contribute my skills in writing and website content management, and am happy to help out however I am needed. I would love to see this fantastic organization continue to grow and welcome new members, while maintaining its strong traditions. I am excited to be considered for the position of Board Member at Large and to contribute my time, skills and leadership to the NH Ski Club Board.

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**Michael Goumas** - I started skiing when I was 10 years old. My friends and I used to ski on a little hill in the neighbor's backyard and we were hooked. After that, I begged my mother to drive me and some friends to Methuen Hill and to Boston Hill. When I turned 20, I joined the army where I was stationed in Germany for three years. My first winter there I was on the ski patrol in Bavaria for four months. Once I had kids, I passed on my love for skiing as I drove them to Pat's Peak every Thursday night as part of their school's ski club. My love for the mountains has driven me to hike the 48s in New Hampshire and continue skiing well into my 60's. I have been part of the New Hampshire Ski Club since 2013. As I begin my retirement, I have an interest in getting more involved with the ski club by joining the board of directors. By understanding the role and function of the board, I believe I can be a voice of the members providing advice and insight to the board, as well as helping in determining policies and procedures for the club activities and functions. I believe this club is a great way of bringing like-minded members of the community together and want to ensure the future of the club is kept alive. Thank you for your consideration and I look forward to speaking further!

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## **Upcoming news flash!**

### **Nancy KC**

Winter is quickly passing. The snow will soon be melting more as spring creeps in. Good things happen to those who wait. As the snow turns to slush, it will be time to celebrate. There will be a Slushbomb celebration, April 22. A good time is worth waiting for.

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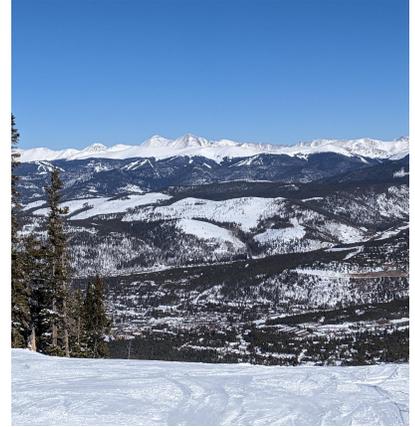
## Breckenridge, CO Trip Report

Jill Dinsmore



Our club trip to Breckenridge was really quite good! Though it did start with a few hiccups (canceled flight and rerouted skis!), as trip co-Captains, Jim Bivona and I worked through them to make sure no one's travel was interrupted or delayed. We were greeted, for our troubles, with a beautiful ski day on our first official ski Sunday, blue skies and wonderful snow to ski on. Fresh snow on Monday, another beautiful ski day on Tuesday. Some tripsters opted for the 40-minute bus ride to Vail - perfect snow, beautiful vistas, legendary back bowls, trees and more.

And so the trip continued, one more storm came through to freshen things up and our last day brought one more beautiful blue sky ski day. The town of Breckenridge was perfectly picturesque and easy to access. The bus, trolley and hotel shuttle made navigating around town and to other ski resorts easy. The club offered a cocktail and appetizer reception on Monday and Italian buffet dinner on Wednesday, both of which were wonderfully attended by lively tripsters sharing tales of their adventures on the mountains. I think I can say a good time was had by all on this club trip to Breckenridge.



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## Gunstock Ski Racing

Kathy Jacobs

We have had 6 races. We still could use more snow, but we are able to race. Currently, the Gate Crashers are in 10th place and the Slope Slayers are in 11th place. The Gate Crashers are tied for the season with another team that has 1 more point than we do. The team in 8th place is only 3 points ahead of us.

We are having fun meeting in the pub for food and libations and winning some raffle prizes. Only 2 weeks left followed by the ski off. The winter had just flown by.

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## Racing at Pat's Peak

Jim Eilenberger

The Ski Club has two teams this year that race for 8 weeks on Thursday nights and with six weeks gone our newer team RSR (Really Sexy Racers or Really Slow Racers, take your pick) is holding a small lead over long time team, Snow Dragons. It's been a strange weather year with every Thursday night having either snow or rain but two racers, Glenn Ellis and Gabe Roy, have made it every single week so that shows dedication. Glenn was the only one last year to make every week but Gabe is right on his heels this year so we'll see if both can weather this week's projected snow storm! Next newsletter will have the final results so place your bets on which team will finish first and whether both Glenn and Gabe will have 100% attendance. I'm not a bookie so your bet will be just for fun, like the ski club!

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# McIntyre Ski Area 2023 Corporate/Adult Race League

## Nancy KC

We have 9 NHSC race teams, and 2 teams with NHSC members registered for the Corporate/Adult Race League at McIntyre Ski Area in Manchester. The last day of our race season will be Tuesday, March 7th. The end of season overall awards banquet will be held at McIntyre on March 14th, 2023 at 6:30pm.

### NHSC Team Escargot

Capt. Nancy KC  
Renee Bergeron  
Marie T. Caron  
Kathy Jacobs  
Anne Magrath  
Michelle Collier  
Louise Trottier

### NHSC Team Brewskis

Capt. Walt Milne  
Dan Maher  
Dan McCoy  
Kathy Growney  
Mary Beth Hulbert  
Bill Dickson  
Corey Girard

### NHSC Team Triples

Capt. Ray Juneau  
Jeff Juneau  
Cindy Jenson  
Becky Hawxwell  
Robert LaChance  
Fred Myhaver  
Tim Myhaver

### NHSC Team Flocking Ice Holes

Capt. Catherine Genest  
Laura Balestreri  
Aaron Fracht-Monroe  
Michael Goumas  
Joe Messineo  
Gregory Sullivan  
Mark Sullivan

### NHSC Team Mac Attack

Capt. Jim Hulbert  
Bruce Dyke  
Sue Kunkel  
Alan Stein  
Cindi Maston  
Roy Maston  
Kristi Packard

### NHSC Team Slow Burn

Capt. Bob Jensen  
Sue Haydock  
Bill Andrade  
Ann McLaughlin  
Terry Saunders  
Jeff Lavoie  
Dana Wells

### NHSC Team Shotskeez

Capt. Jacqui McCartin  
Brett Angione  
Jo'an Blajda  
Karyn Dickson  
James Normand  
Kim Schillereff  
Karen Schwotzer

### NHSC Team Schussboomers

Capt. Ron DiMambro  
Patti Clark  
Lynn Jackson  
Gail Matson  
Debbie Picard  
Ron Pinkham  
Ben Weirs

### NHSC Team Deep Tracks

Capt. Russell Cooley  
Jim Bivona  
Donald Eaton  
Josee Eaton  
Gayle Kenney  
Marcia Murphy  
Mike Murphy

### Beer Team 1

Patty Konstanopoulos  
Luisa Maslon

### Go Speed Racer Go

David Duranzano  
Michael O'Sullivan

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## Monthly Meeting

### Nancy KC

The March monthly meeting will be held on the 2nd **Wednesday, March 8th**. The meeting will begin at 7pm. You can come anytime after 5:30 pm to eat and socialize. **Theatre #1 - Chunky's Cinema Pub, 707 Huse Rd, Manchester, NH 03103.**

Chunky's **PROTOCOL** is for members and guests to **REGISTER for the meeting ahead of time**, so Chunky's can schedule staffing and will know how many will order food. Register *7-10 days prior to the meeting* PLEASE!

**MORE DRAWINGS!** At each meeting, for in-person attendees, we're offering a special drawing for 2 people to win \$25 Chunky's gift cards. *Upon arrival, **check in at Chunky's ticket counter**, write your name on the*

paper ticket they give you and drop it in the raffle container at our own check-in table. Stick around to the end for raffle prizes and 50/50 drawing. (Chunky's gift cards and 50/50 for in-person attendees only).

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## NHSC Membership Update

### Nancy KC

As of 02/21/2023, 345 members have joined or renewed their membership's for this year of 2023. Welcome to our 8 new 1st time members in February:

Christian Dietzel - Hiram, ME, Gregory Martin - Salem, NH, Eileen Granahan - Hanover, NH, Paige Chartrand - Londonderry, NH, Corinne Powers - Salem, NH, Amy Juneau - Epsom, NH *Ray Juneau's daughter-in-law*, Jeffrey Juneau - Epsom, NH *Ray Juneau's son* and Joanne Medeiros - Salem, NH

Remember your membership must be current in order to sign up for trips and to go on trips. This includes weekend and week-long trips. Your NHSC membership expiration date is October 31, 2023, **Halloween!**

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## Ski Trips

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### Quebec City, Canada

#### Trip Leader: Karen Schwotzer

March 16-19, 2023

\$909 per person DO/\$1259 Single

This trip is about so much more than skiing! To start with, we have tons of fun on the bus ride. Sit back, relax, bring a beverage, snacks... and let the driver handle the miles. We arrive at our "castle" for the weekend, the **Chateau Frontenac**, in the heart of the historic district. Wait till you see the views of the river and below from the hotel! Walk out the door and see how many restaurants and shops there are within only a few blocks. There is a toboggan run on the hotel promenade, as well as access to the unique funicular that transports you to the lower village....where there are more shops and restaurants!

3 Pick-up locations:

- Exit #5 N. Londonderry, off I-93/ Concord Trailways Station
- 30 Stickney Ave, I-93 Exit #32
- 200 Kancamagus Highway, Woodstock, NH

#### Package Includes:

3 Nights accommodations in "Old Quebec"

1 Day lift ticket to LeMassif

1 Day lift ticket to Mont-Ste-Anne

Luxury motorcoach throughout

All Taxes and Luggage Handling

For questions email [karenslewis@comcast.net](mailto:karenslewis@comcast.net), or call 603-289-0921

**Passport required! (NO vaccine requirements)**

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## Sugarloaf Weekend

**Trip Leader: Cindy Jenson**

**March 23/24-26, 2023**

**A la carte pricing**

**Final payment was due February 6.**

March 24-26, 2023 with Thursday March 23 add-on available. Friday Meet and Greet, Saturday buffet with 2 drinks (beer and wine) plus cash bar. Housing at Sugarloaf Hotel (see [nhskiclub.org](http://nhskiclub.org) for pricing).

Pricing Options:

- Lift tickets \$55/day. Sugarloaf is an Ikon Mountain/Boyne Resort
- Social activities only (no housing or lift tickets) for \$89.

Lodging Options: Friday and Saturday with option to add Thursday (need to know when we book)

Alcove Room (one bed)

Fri/Sat nights	\$658 single occupancy	\$379 double occupancy
Th-Sat nights	\$908 single occupancy	\$504 double occupancy

Standard Queen (one bed)

Fri/Sat nights	\$672 single occupancy	\$386 double occupancy
Th-Sat nights	\$942 single occupancy	\$521 double occupancy

Superior Queen (two beds)

Fri/Sat nights	\$419 double occ		
	\$313 triple occ		
	\$260 quad occ		
Th-Sat nights	\$568.50 double occ	\$412.00 triple occ	\$334.00 quad occ

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## 2024 Dolomites Ski & Dine Trip with a Taste of Venice

**Marcia Morgan**

**February 24, 2024 - March 4, 2024, with optional return on March 2, 2024**

Great news! Due to the overwhelming response to this trip, the board approved **a second trip to run the week prior, February 17-24, 2026**. Josee Eaton will co-lead the first trip and Jayne King will co-lead the second, original trip. We received more than 80 applications postmarked February 1, so at the March 8 meeting, we will do a random drawing among the oversold weeks to see who makes the trip list, and then price airfare. Stay tuned for more information in April.

### Officers and Board Members

**June 2021-2023**

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